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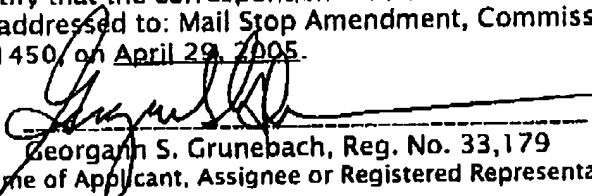
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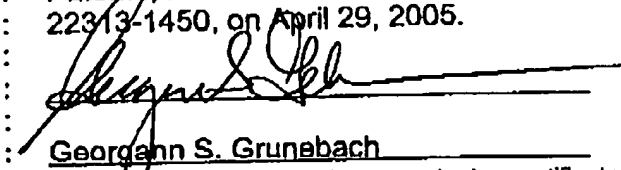
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The references were cited in Office Actions dated April 19, 2005 in related patent application numbers 10/068,039 and 10/068,047, both filed on February 5, 2002.

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